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SUBJECT: OUTER SPACE COMMITTEE (OSC): GENERAL DEBATE,
JUNE 28 A. M.

1. CONTINUING WITH GENERAL DEBATE AT OSC' S JUNE 28 AM
MEETING. INDIA, UK, ARGENTINA AND AUSTRIA GAVE OPENING
STATEMENTS AND FRANCE INTERVENED FOR SECOND TIME.

2. INDIA, IN REVIEWING REGISTRATION ISSUES, EXPRESSED VIEW
THAT REGISTRATION CONVENTION WOULD NOT BE COMPLETE WITHOUT
BOTH MARKING AND REVIEW CLAUSE. ON MOON TREATY, IT REITERATED
ITS POSITION THAT TREATY SHOULD (1) DECLARE THAT NATURAL
RESOURCES OF THE MOON AND OTHER CELESTIAL BODIES ARE COMMON
HERITAGE OF MANKIND, (2) THEIR EXPLOITATION SHALL NOT
BE CARRIED OUT EXCEPT UNDER AN INTERNATIONAL REGIME, AND
(3) STATES SHALL BE OBLIGED TO INFORM THE INTERNATIONAL
COMMUNITY CONCERNING ANY DISCOVERY OF NATURAL RESOURCES
ON THE MOON OR OTHER CELESTIAL BODIES.

3. ON DBS, INDIAN REP INTERPRETED UNGA RES 2916 AS CALLING
FOR FORMULATION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE OF PRINCIPLES TO BE
BASIS FOR AGREEMENT OR AGREEMENTS. HE SUPPORTED ACCEPTANCE
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OF DBS WORKING GROUP RECOMMENDATION ON ITS FUTURE WORK WITHOUT
CHANGE. INDIA ALSO STATED THAT UN SPACE APPLICATION PROGRAM
SHOULD GET MUCH MORE FINANCIAL SUPPORT THAN IS NOW CASE,
ALLEGING THAT PROPOSAL FOR \$100,000 SPACE BUDGET GETS

GREATER SCRUTINY THAN, E. G., MILLION- DOLLAR UNDP COUNTRY PROJECT.

4. INDIA ALSO PROPOSED THAT FOLLOWING EACH UNGA, THE OSC REVIVE ITS PRACTICE OF ONE- DAY JANUARY MEETING TO DIRECT WORK OF ITS SUBSIDIARY ORGANS FOR FOLLOWING YEAR IN LIGHT OF GA RESOLUTIONS.

5. UK, FOCUSING ON FUTURE WORK OF LSC, PROPOSED THAT IF NEITHER THE REGISTRATION OR MOON TREATIES ARE COMPLETED BY THE OSC, THESE TWO ITEMS BE ACCORDED PRIORITY IN THE LSC WITH DBS NEXT IN LINE AHEAD OF ERS. UK REITERATED ITS POSITION THAT THERE IS NO NEED FOR FORMULATION OF PRINCIPLES CONCERNING ERS BUT DOES SEE NEED FOR FURTHER ANALYSIS OF THE ORGANIZATIONAL ASPECTS INVOLVED AND REGARDS THE MULTI-DISCIPLINARY NATURE OF ERS WORKING GROUP AS MOST SUITABLE FORUM FOR UNDERTAKING THE ANALYSIS. UK REAFFIRMED ITS VIEW THAT GS RESOLUTION 2916 (XXVII) DOES NOT IMPLY NEED FOR AN AGREEMENT ON PRINCIPLES TO GOVERN DBS AND EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT OSC WOULD NOT DISTURB THE " FRAGILE BALANCE" IN THE DBS WG' S RECOMMENDATION REGARDING ITS FUTURE WORK. UK FURTHER RECOMMENDED THAT SINCE THE OSC WAS UNABLE TO COMMENT SUBSTANTIVELY ON THE UNESCO DECLARATION REGARDING DBS LAST YEAR, IT SHOULD DISPOSE OF ISSUE BY SIMPLY NOTING THE DECLARATION, THE FACT OF ITS ADOPTION BY UNESCO; AND EXPRESSING THE VIEW THAT OSC DOES NOT SEE ANY SUEFUL PURPOSE BY ANY SUBSTANTIVE COMMENT ON THEM AT THIS TIME.

6. ARGENTINA REGARDED NEITHER SCOPE NOR ADVANCE NOTIFICATION ISSUES AS INSURMOUNTABLE OBSTACLES TO CONCLUSION OF MOON TREATY BUT ACKNOWLEDGED THAT RESOURCES ISSUE IS STUMBLING BLOCK. WITH RESPECT TO LATTER, ARGENTINA RECALLED THAT IS WAS FIRST NATION TO BRING CONCEPT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AS THE HERITAGE OF MANKIND INTO CONTEXT OF PROPOSED TREATY. ON REGISTRATION, ARGENTINA CITED REGISTRATION IN ADVANCE OF LAUNCHING, MARKING, AND A REVIEW CLAUSE AS ESSENTIAL TO COMPLETION OF THE REGISTRATION TREATY. ARGENTINA ALSO PROPOSED EXPANDING OSC LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
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MEMBERSHIP (IMPLICITLY BY SUBSTANTIAL NUMBER), OBSERVING THAT " MANY" MORE STATES ARE INTERESTED IN PARTICIPATING THAN ARE PRESENTLY REPRESENTED.

7. AUSTRIA CONSIDERED QUESTION OF EXPLOITATION OF NATURAL RESOURCES PENDING ESTABLISHMENT OF AN INTERNATIONAL REGIME AS THE ONE DIFFICULT OUTSTANDING ISSUE ON MOON TREATY; AND VIEWED BOTH MARKING PROVISION AND REVIEW CLAUSE AS NECESSARY FOR COMPLETION OF REGISTRATION TREATY. AUSTRIA, ALSO CONSIDERED THE LSC AS PROPER FORUM FOR ESTABLISHING " LEGAL GUIDELINES": FOR ERS AND FOR REACHING AGREEMENT ON BOTH THE FORM AND LEGAL STATUS OF ANY PRINCIPLES CONCERNING DBS.

8. FRENCH REP IN SECOND INTERVENTION CONCENTRATED ON MOON TREATY. RECALLING THAT HE HAD EARLIER STATED HOPE FOR AGREEMENT ON TREATY AT CURRENT OSC SESSION, HE NOTED THAT JUNE 27 INFORMAL DISCUSSION HAD SHOWN NATURAL RESOURCES QUESTION WAS STILL DIFFICULT. FRANCE, HE SAID, SUPPORTED ITALIAN COMPROMISE PROPOSAL FOR RESOURCES ARTICLE, DECLARING THAT ITS "COMMON HERITAGE" CONCEPT REPRESENTED CONSIDERABLE ADVANCE OVER "COMMON PROVINCE" OF OUTER SPACE TREATY. HE THOUGHT THIS FORMULATION AMPLY PROTECTED NON-SPACE POWER INTERESTS, AND CAUTIONED AGAINST TRYING FOR TOO MUCH SPECIFICITY AT THIS STAGE IN PROVISION DEALING WITH FUTURE POSSIBILITY. EXCESSIVE CONCERN TO PROTECT AGAINST ALL CONTINGENCIES, HE WARNED, COULD INHIBIT SPACE POWERS, WHICH NOW BORE INTIRE EXPENSES OF EXPLORATION, FROM PROCEEDING WITH ACTIVITIES WHICH ULTIMATELY COULD GREATLY BENEFIT ALL COUNTRIES.

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